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1. The supply depot was known in WARSAW as "Baza." It consisted of several warehouses and one fuel depot (see annex). Polish

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Army soldiers were on guard duty in the depot area.

The construction work, charged to the "Barras" Construction Firm by the military administration was still underway in February 1949.

- (xx) The construction work was supervised by a Soviet colonel who often made complaints about the work.

2. Fuel Depot (see No 11 on annex).

It was located in a very secluded area, about 1,200 x 2,000 feet. It had six gasoline bunkers and one oil bunker. Each bunker sheltered two fuel containers, each about 23 feet long and 7 feet in diameter, with a capacity of about 5,300 gallons. The bunkers, which were semi-underground and concrete, were well camouflaged by sodded soil. The containers were filled from railroad tank cars. The depot regularly supplied military units with fuel.

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Seven holes were excavated, one fuel container being placed in each. Half of these containers projected above the surface, the upper part being protected by a concrete cover.

The containers were filled from railroad tank cars by descending pipelines. An underground filling station with electric pumps was also available. Upon completion of the installation (July 1948), 250 PWs were employed there as operating and maintenance personnel.

- (xx) Each week fuel arrived at the depot in six to eight railroad tank cars and was issued.

The depot had 7 to 14 containers and a total capacity of between 300 to 1,000 cubic meters. A capacity of 1,000 cubic meters was

3. Silo (see No 7 on annex):

It was about 130 feet high and had a floor space of 50 x 100 feet. It served the storage of grain.

4. Motor vehicle parking, lots and garages (see Nos 2, 3, and 5 on annex): Numerous new trucks, "Fiat," "Lis," "Willys" "Studebaker" etc., were parked there. The motor vehicles were issued to military units and civilian authorities.

about a hundred passenger cars and two hundred trucks were stored in the garages.

5. Coal dump (see No 10 on annex):

The coal was issued to military units and civilian authorities.

- xxx) The average stock was between 5,000 and 6,000 tons of coal.

6. Warehouses (see No 12 on annex), each about 80 x 330 feet, were stocked with clothing, ration and medical supplies. The utilization of one large, multiple-storied building was unknown.

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The multiple-storied warehouses were used for the storage of clothing, rations, equipment and electrical equipment. The warehouses were completed in July 1948.

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the warehouse was

80 x 400 feet. Clothing, ration and medical supplies were stored there in addition to electrical equipment, telephone, telecommunication and signal equipment, electro meters, radios, measuring equipment of all kinds, generators, cables, cameras, etc. (material of US, British and German make).

7. Building material storage site and carpenter shop (see Nos 13, 13a and 13 b on Annex): two cantonment buildings in which all types of building material were stored. Window frames, doors and floors were manufactured in the recently equipped carpenter shop. Military units and civilian authorities were supplied.

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Comment:

a. This is the first information on the "Beta" supply depot. The report is considered to be generally correct since numerous statements were confirmed

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b. The supply depot probably supplies the WARSAW military post.

c. The fuel depot with an assumed capacity of about 500 cubic meters is supplying military units in the WARSAW area.

1 Annex: Military Supply Depot in WARSAW, Poland.

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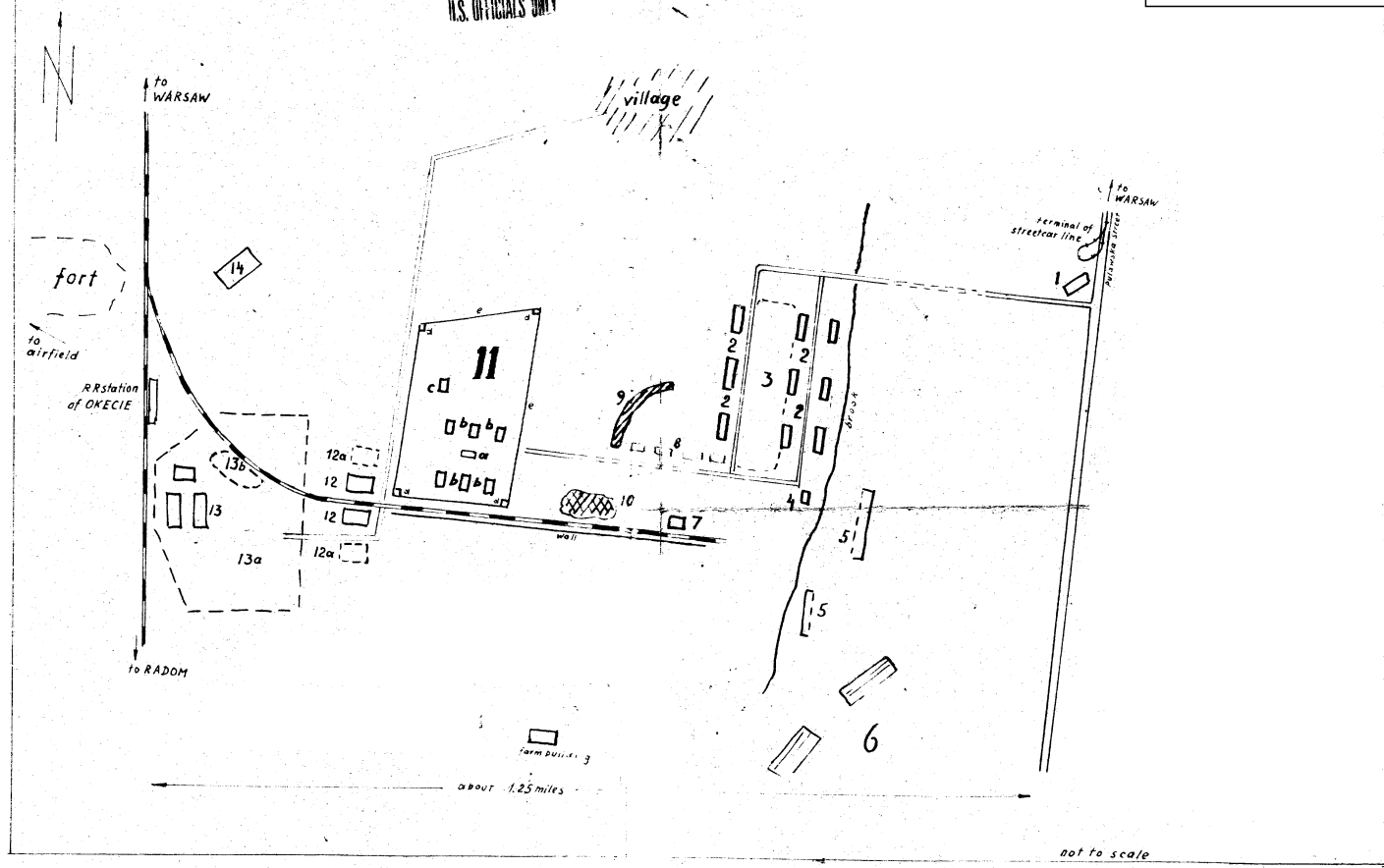
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Legend:

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| 1 Large tank installation | 11a Gasoline tank with pump station |
| 2 Motor vehicle spare parts warehouses (nine improved former stables for race horses; each 40x115 feet) | 11b Gasoline tanks |
| 3 Motor vehicle parking lot | 11c Oil tanks |
| 4 Guardhouse | 11d Watchtowers |
| 5 Open garages | 11e Wall, about 10 feet high |
| 6 Stands of previous race-course | 12 Warehouses |
| 7 Silo | 12a Warehouses under construction |
| 8 PW quarters | 13 Carpenter shop |
| 9 Three-story apartment houses | 13a Timber storage site |
| 10 Coal dump | 13b Building material storage site |
| 11 Fuel depot | 14 Large warehouse |

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